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Maryland

Weekly Crop and Weather Report



August 27, 2007

Too Little, Too Late

Recent rains have helped double crop soybeans but came too late for early soybeans and corn. Some corn raised for grain is being harvested for silage. **Corn** and **soybeans** are mostly in very poor to fair condition. **Potato** harvest is ahead of schedule with 90 percent harvested compared with 78 percent last year and 76 percent for the five-year average. Third cutting of **alfalfa hay** is 92 percent complete and a fourth cutting is 38 percent complete. There were **4.6 days suitable for field work**.

Apples were rated 2 percent poor, 13 percent fair, and 85 percent good. **Apples** are 43 percent harvested and **Peaches** are 72 percent harvested.

Pasture was rated 22 percent very poor, 36 percent poor, 28 percent fair, 12 percent good, and 2 percent excellent while **hay supplies** were rated 32 percent very short, 42 percent short, 22 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

MARYLAND'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 26, 2007

Item		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Five Year Average
Percent					
<u>Field Crops</u>					
Corn	Dough	91	85	95	81
	Dent	63	46	80	53
	Mature	14	4	27	19
Soybeans	Blooming	86	79	93	85
	Setting Pods	76	65	86	69
<u>Hay</u>					
Alfalfa Hay	3 rd Cutting	92	32	86	81
	4 th Cutting	38	29	37	25
Other Hay	3 rd Cutting	35	35	46	47
<u>Vegetables Harvested</u>					
Cantaloups		82	74	80	78
Cucumbers		80	75	77	73
Lima Beans		46	42	77	52
Potatoes		90	81	78	76
Snap Beans		80	76	85	83
Sweet Corn		88	83	86	84
Tomatoes		72	54	74	71
Watermelons		82	73	76	72
<u>Fruits Harvested</u>					
Apples		43	39	43	29
Peaches		72	59	95	83

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 26, 2007

Condition by Percent	Topsoil Moisture			Subsoil Moisture		
	This	Last	5 Year	This	Last	5 Year
	Week	Week	Average	Week	Week	Average
Very Short	20	34	-	27	50	-
Short	27	37	-	45	32	-
Adequate	51	29	-	28	18	-
Surplus	2	-	-	-	-	-

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING AUGUST 26, 2007

	Precipitation ¹			Temperatures			
Weather Station	Total this week	Total Since Jan 1	Departure from Normal Since Jan 1	High	Low	Average	Departure from Normal
Maryland							
Baltimore/Washington Airport	2.31	23.08	-3.96	96	61	72	-3
Frederick	2.07	25.64	-0.26	97	60	70	0
Frostburg	3.49	29.77	-2.56	89	55	66	0
Hagerstown	2.65	18.23	-7.37	94	58	69	-4
Mechanicsville	1.63	21.80	-8.23	92	58	72	-3
Patuxent River	2.11	20.74	-7.12	92	67	76	2
Ocean City	2.20	19.51	-11.05	87	68	75	2
Salisbury	1.17	20.72	-9.88	95	66	75	2
Sharpsburg	2.91	23.71	-2.19	97	59	71	1
Stevensville	2.21	23.93	-4.10	94	63	72	-3
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	2.73	20.93	-4.53	94	63	74	-4
Delaware							
Dover	1.94	23.06	-6.07	97	61	72	-4
Georgetown	0.90	21.25	-8.41	95	66	74	1
Wilmington	1.93	28.81	1.58	90	58	70	-4

¹ Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M. on recorded date.
Weather Data is provided by the Agricultural Weather Information Service, Auburn, Alabama and is considered preliminary.